

SADDLEBACK POND

Sandy River Plt., Franklin County
U.S.G.S. Saddleback Mountain, Maine (7½') and
U.S.G.S. Redington, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Brook trout

Minnows

Blacknose dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 13 acres

Temperatures:

Maximum depth - 13 feet

Surface - 70°F

12 feet - 67°F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Saddleback Pond is located south of Saddleback Mountain. The pond has no major inlets and two outlets. One flows east into Conant Brook and the other flows south into Saddleback Stream. The pond's shoreline is undeveloped.

Water quality in Saddleback pond is marginal for coldwater gamefish during the warm summer months. However, brook trout are able to utilize the many springs entering the pond for the cooler water temperatures necessary for survival. Trout growth is good with minimal competition from blacknose dace. Brook trout reproduce naturally along the shoreline, but the population is supplemented through annual stockings to maintain a fishery.

Saddleback Pond is accessible via a four-wheel drive road from Route 4 in Madrid. It is open to fishing in the summer months with a no live fish as bait restriction and closed to ice fishing. See the lawbook for additional regulations.

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